JUST TRANSITION FOR ALL
SOLID RESEARCH EVIDENCE AND IMPLEMENTATION PATHWAYS

AGENDA

DECEMBER 3RD 2018
12:00 – 16:30
UNFCCC POLISH PAVILION
AS PART OF THE “JUST TRANSITION DAY”

Context and Aims
- As currently the just transition is being discussed in multiple forums at the UNFCCC – including the forum on the response measures - there is a strong need for the solid analytical evidence on past just transitions and pathways for optimal future ones to be synthesized and presented to the right drivers of change within the UNFCCC process.
- At the same time, a growing number of countries are establishing national task force or commissions on just transition, and there are various national experiences on how countries are managing their transition to low-carbon and climate-resilient economies. There is high value in sharing such national experiences.
- Many organizations/initiatives have been working on a just transition definition and past and future transition experience/scenarios but that work has happened in a limbo. Better interaction is needed between research and decision-making/diplomacy, as decisions cannot be taken in a void anymore, and they must take into account the status of current scientific and social research.
- This event is an attempt to offer a more structured interaction between relevant research and JT drivers within the UN process and with Parties.

FROM 10:00
TEA/COFFEE OFFERED IN THE POLISH PAVILION

12:00 – 12:10
WELCOME & INTRODUCTION
POLISH COP24 PRESIDENCY
MICHELLE LEIGHTON, CHIEF MIGRATION BRANCH, ILO
ANDRZEJ BŁACHOWICZ, MANAGING DIRECTOR, CLIMATE STRATEGIES

12:10 – 13:30
PART 1: ANALYTICAL EVIDENCE FOR JUST TRANSITION
MODERATION: ANDRZEJ BŁACHOWICZ

Jesse Burton, University of Cape Town on behalf of “Coal Transitions” project:
Just transition pathways in major coal economies

Laura Merrill, IISD: Guiding Just Transition Through Engagement, Communications and Fiscal Reform: Approaches in South East Asia and North America.

Heidi Peltier, University of Massachusetts: Coalitions and movements in the U.S. - Challenges and Successes in advancing a Just Transition agenda

Ulrike Lehr, GWS: Regional distribution effects of the energy transition in Germany
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Lucy Stone, Agulhas: Successful case-studies on citizen/worker participation renewal model, on cooperative renewable energy ownership, on structural/regional reform

Catherine Saget, ILO Research: The global impact of the green transition

Dunja Krause, UNRISD on behalf of Just Transition Research Collaborative: Assessing ambition and inclusiveness of different Just Transition approaches

Jan Witajewski-Baltvilsks, IBS: Social and economic risks of energy transition in Poland, including proposals for labour market instruments

Maciej Bukowski, WISE Europa: Systems approach towards Just Transition: the case of Upper Silesia

Krzysztof Laskowski, PKEE/Eurelectric: Decarbonisation pathways and just transition

(Background notes available for each presentation)

13:30 – 15:00 LIGHT LUNCH

15:00 – 16:25 PART 2:
IMPLEMENTATION OF SOLIDARITY AND JUST TRANSITION SILESIA DECLARATION
MODERATION: COP24 PRESIDENCY

UNFCCC Secretariat: Kusum Lata
ETUC: Benjamin Denis
BTeam: Charlotte Blommestijn
PKEE: Kazimierz Szyńol
FZZ / Kadra: Grzegorz Trefon
CEE Bankwatch: Alexandru Mustață

Negotiators from selected countries:
Australia: Steven Thurnbull
Austria (EU Presidency): Manfred Kohlbach
Estonia: Annela Anger-Kraavi
Ghana: Angelina Mensah
Latin America*
Asia*

(* to be confirmed)

16:25 – 16:30 NEXT STEPS
ANDRZEJ BŁACHOWICZ, MANAGING DIRECTOR, CLIMATE STRATEGIES
Rapporteur for the event: Kirsten Jenkins